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Many Ways for Kids to Get Creative

Fairfield, California (Wednesday, July 28, 2010) — Fairfield Community Resources Department offers a variety of youth classes that tap into children's innate love for the arts.

CartoonArt, for ages 8 to 17, begins Thursday, August 5, from 5:15 to 6:30 p.m. in the Fairfield Community Center, 1000 Kentucky Street. Local freelance illustrator and cartoonist, Bob Armstrong, takes students through lessons in drawing facial expressions, action poses, basic anatomy, and 3D effects. Class fee is \$60 for six classes.

Kids spend a relaxing morning and create art in the **Kids Create Art** workshop. A variety of tools and techniques are taught in individual classes focusing on painting, collage, ceramics, or drawing. For ages 5 to 8, the cost is \$15, and the class meets from 9 to 10 a.m. For ages 9 to 12, the cost is \$17, and class meets from 10:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. The next workshop is scheduled for August 7 at the Fairfield Center for Creative Arts, 1053 Texas Street.

Starbound Theatre is accepting registrations for the fall production of ***Nightmare Before Christmas***. New families must attend a mandatory orientation on the first day of class, Monday, August 9, at 4 p.m. in the Fairfield Community Center, 1000 Kentucky Street, Willow Hall.

Rehearsals are Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 4 to 6 p.m. This 12-week program is \$125 and culminates in performances on October 22 at 10:30 a.m. for student audiences, October 23, 29, and 30 at 7 p.m., and October 24 and 31 at 2 p.m. Performances are staged at the Fairfield Center for Creative Arts, 1053 Texas Street.

Princess Ballet is specially designed with little princesses in mind. Pre-ballet routines with themes based on princess stories is the focus of the program for girls, ages 3 to 5. Class meets on Mondays, beginning August 9, from 11:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. or 12:45 to 1:30 p.m. Class meets in the Fairfield Community Center and is \$45 for four classes. Students in this session will work on a culminating performance.

Twinkle Toes Dance and Gymnastic, not your typical dance class, is the perfect fit for adventurous toddlers. The program combines creative movement with jazz, ballet, and tumbling. Boys and girls, ages 3 to 5, can join the fun on Tuesdays, beginning August 10, from 11:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Class meets in the Fairfield Community Center and is \$45 for four classes. Students in this session will work on a culminating performance.

Register for these classes at City Hall at the Mall, near JC Penney on the first floor of the Westfield Solano Mall, or online with EZReg at www.fairfield.ca.gov. For more information, call (707) 428-7796.

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About the City of Fairfield Community Resources Department

The Community Resources Department's mission is to shape our community's future by offering an array of programs and services that meet the needs of Fairfield residents. The department strives to provide resources for all aspects of daily life. Community Resources operates affordable housing programs, recreational classes, neighborhood improvement programs, senior services, sports and aquatics programs, and youth activities. The department manages the Aquatics Complex at Allan Witt Park, Allan Witt Sports Center, City Hall at the Mall, Fairfield Center for Creative Arts, Fairfield Community Center, Fairfield Senior Center, neighborhood centers, and sports fields.